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Re: U. S. Patent Application No. 10/585,673
Inventor(s): Hiroyuki TAKAHASHI, et al.
Title: " Particle Detection Device and Particle Detection Method "
Our Ref: B-6037PCT 623562-9

It will be appreciated if you will inform us as to the status of the above-identified U.S. patent application. This inquiry is being initiated on the basis of the fact that the subject application was filed on July 6, 2006, and an official action dealing substantively with this application has not been received. Therefore, please inform us as to when we may expect to receive an official action for the above-identified application.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Very truly yours,
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